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PRESERVE MAUI'S HISTORY

The desirability and usefulness of a local historical society—an organization which would take upon itself the task of collecting and putting into permanent form, data of historical character concerning Maui,—was suggested this week by Hon. W. O. Smith, of Honolulu, who is at present on Maui. The idea seems a most excellent one. Maui is replete with much historical material of most interesting kind that must soon be lost if it be not promptly recorded. This data is not simply of local interest. Much of it is so intimately associated with the development of the islands as a whole, that the value of such records cannot be over-estimated. It is true that there is a Hawaiian Historical Society, but there is a large amount of interesting matter concerning the early settlement and growth of this county that will necessarily be overlooked by the larger body. Much of this concerns the early missionary families and the development of the local industries. The manner of living 75 years ago; the social intercourse of the people; the efforts to develop the resources of the island, all are full of details of greatest interest for the people of Maui today, and will be of even greater interest to the residents of tomorrow.

Kauai for a number of years past has had an association of this kind. It meets from time to time at irregular intervals when there is some paper to be read or some new line of investigation to be undertaken. It is an association in which the members work for the interest they find in searching for gems of historical data in out of the way places, and the pleasure they get from reviewing the activities of a past generation. As Mr. Smith points out, much of the success of the Kauai organization is due to the deep interest in it taken by a small group of Kauai residents, the first of which is probably the Rev. J. M. Lydgate. Mr. Lydgate has developed a mine of interesting information, valuable to the whole group, through his personal interest and effort.

Mr. Smith, who as a resident of Maui half a century or more ago, and who as sheriff of the Island in the early '70's came in intimate contact with the activities of that day, is himself doubtless qualified to supply a great amount of information of much historical value. Were he a resident of Maui now, it is quite certain that he would be a leading spirit in the organization of a nature such as he suggests. There are however, others who are probably as much interested who would doubtless find a large following should they undertake the formation of a Maui Historical Society.

It is poor encouragement to officers and men to spend a considerable amount of time in drilling without arms or equipment, and then to talk of a dress inspection and flag presentation. At least this is the way it appears to the members of the 3rd Infantry, N. G. H. Nor does it help any to see published photographs of the 4th Infantry, the newest regiment of the guard, in which the companies all appear to be fully uniformed. Only 2 out of the 12 companies of the 3rd have anything like complete uniform or arms equipment, and they are the old 1st Regiment companies.

Judge Stuart tells the mainland people that there is peonage in Hawaii. He must refer to the everyday citizen who is in bondage to his yard-boy, or cook.

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE WEEK

LONDON, July 20—Battles are raging with fury at all fronts. Struggle between British and Germans north of Somme continues with unabated fierceness, and successes are uncertain. French claim more gains near Verdun. Both Russians and Teutons report advances in eastern theater, while Britains are reversed in Asia Minor.

HONOLULU, July 20—William Chilton gives up police badge at request of Deputy Sheriff Asche.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 20 Longshoremen will abandon strike today. Union leaders say men will resume work.

WASHINGTON, July 20—La Follette holds up naval measure. Attacks defense program as needless.

NEW YORK, July 19—Hughes issues call for party harmony. Says factional fighting in republican ranks must cease.

LONDON, July 20—Asquith plan for election rebuffed. Parliament opposes suggestion.

LONDON, July 19—Russians pass Carpathian mountains and have penetrated a day's march into Hungary after victories in Bukovina between Czernowitz and the Roumanian border. Russians are threatening Austrian rear in some of the mountain passes.

German forces in west recaptured portion of Delville woods and obtained footing in northern outskirts of Longueval. Attack directed against new British position east of Bazentin, Germans being reinforced to make this effective.

PARIS, July 19—Hand grenade combats near Fleury. French made progress. Germans raid in region of Baschendal, Belgium, also near Prenzly checked by Allies.

LONDON, July 19—Italian steamer Angelo sunk by submarine without casualties. Greek steamer Evangelista believed sunk in Mediterranean.

BERLIN, July 19—Germans succeeded in recapturing Longueval and Delville, taking 300 prisoners in woods near by. South and southwest of Riga Russians have reinforced their divisions and are attacking von Hindenberg's army. Assaults failed with Russians suffering unusually heavy losses.

WASHINGTON, July 19—Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister here, today called at state department and discussed with Counsellor Polk prospects of peace in Europe. After conference he said talk led to no tangible results. Polk denies rumor of withdrawal of troops from Mexico.

Militiamen shot at near El Paso returned fire effectively.

BALTIMORE, July 19—British assert they have right to shoot at Deutschland. Indications that German submarine will sail for Germany shortly.

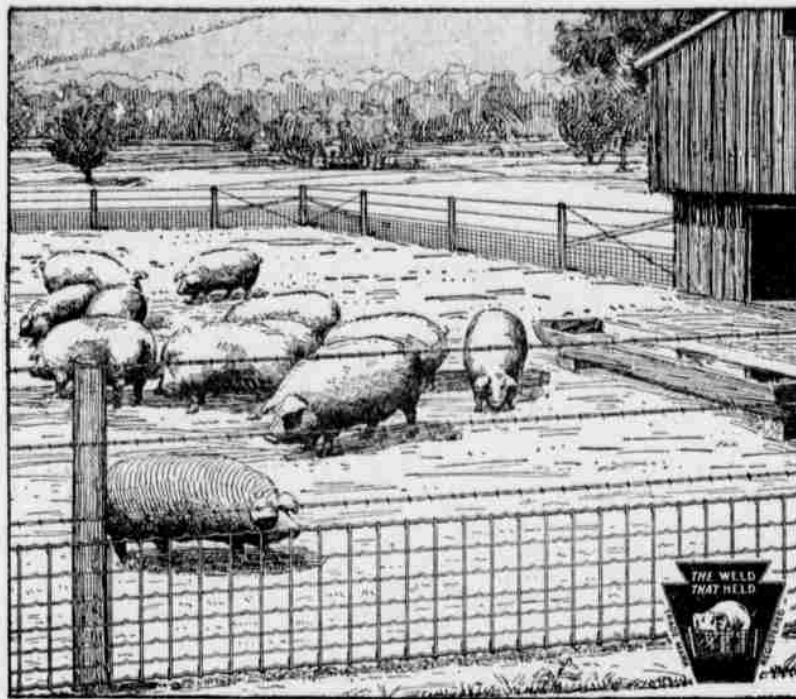
HONOLULU, July 19—Stuart's letter partly upheld by McCandless. He might have said same things to some extent but in a different way. Disclaims knowledge of missile in advance. "Lane made mistake in Hawaii and knows it now," he comments.

Honolulu makes lunatics says dean of actors, Wm. H. Crane. Says

LONDON, July 19—New battle now raging hotly on Somme line. British and Teutons locked in desperate struggle on ground between Longville and little city of Com'en. Germans are now using asphyxiating projectiles. Vienna admits fresh gains by Russians, and Berlin reports repulsing Slavs.

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